

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (Previously Presented)

A conveyer-belt sushi control system controlling sushi distributed by a conveyer belt, comprising:

a detection means for detecting an identifier distributed together with sushi;

a counting means for commencing counting of an amount of sushi distributed by said conveyer belt, in response to a detection output of said detection means; and

an ordering means for ordering a foodstuff required for preparation of sushi based on the counted amount of sushi.

Claim 2 (Original) The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 1, wherein said identifier includes information indicating a kind of sushi distributed subsequent to said identifier.

Claim 3 (Original) The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 1, wherein said counting means reads information of said identifier and counts an amount of sushi per kind of sushi.

Claim 4 (Cancelled)

Claim 5 (Currently Amended) A conveyer-belt sushi control system controlling sushi distributed by a conveyer belt comprising:

a detection means for detecting an identifier distributed together with sushi; and

a counting means for commencing counting of an amount of sushi distributed by said conveyer belt in response to a detection output of said detection means; wherein

said counting means calculates an amount of sushi prepared and an amount of sushi consumed by counting an amount of sushi going out of a kitchen and an amount of sushi coming back to the kitchen;

said identifier is attached to a menu stand indicating a kind of sushi to a person; and

said menu stand is carried by said conveyer belt together with sushi.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended) A conveyer-belt sushi control system controlling sushi distributed by a conveyer belt comprising:

a detection means for detecting an identifier distributed together with sushi; and

a counting means for commencing counting of an amount of sushi distributed by said conveyer belt in response to a detection output of said detection means; wherein

said counting means includes

a first counting means counting an amount of sushi per identifier, and

a second counting means counting an amount of sushi per kind of sushi, based on a counted result of said first counting means; wherein

said identifier is attached to a menu stand indicating a kind of sushi to a person; and

said menu stand is carried by said conveyer belt together with sushi.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended) A conveyer-belt sushi control system, controlling sushi distributed by a conveyer belt,

said sushi being arranged on a plate,

said plate being provided with information for identifying said plate,

said system comprising:

a detection means for detecting an identifier distributed together with sushi;

a determination means for determining a kind of sushi arranged on said plate, based on the identifier detected by said detection means; and

a storage means for storing a determination result of said determination means, to be associated with said information for identifying said plate;

wherein

said identifier is attached to a menu stand indicating a kind of sushi to a person; and

said menu stand is carried by said conveyer belt together with sushi.

Claim 8 (Original) The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 7, wherein said identifier includes information indicating a kind of sushi distributed subsequent to said identifier.

Claim 9 (Original) The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 7, comprising a storage means for storing a time period elapsed after preparation of a product, to be associated with said information for identifying said plate.

Claim 10 (Original) The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 9, further comprising a disposal means for disposing of a product when a predetermined time has elapsed after preparation of said product.

Claim 11 (Original) The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 10, wherein said predetermined time is changed depending on a kind of a product.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended) [The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 7, comprising] A conveyer-belt sushi control system, controlling sushi distributed by a conveyer belt,

said sushi being arranged on a plate,

said plate being provided with information for identifying said plate,

said system comprising:

a detection means for detecting an identifier distributed together with sushi;

a determination means for determining a kind of sushi arranged on said plate, based on the identifier detected by said detection means; and

a storage means for storing a determination result of said determination means, to be associated with said information for identifying said plate, including a storage means for storing a win flag to be associated with said information for identifying said plate.

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Claim 13 (original) A conveyer-belt sushi control system controlling sushi distributed by a conveyer belt,

said sushi being mounted on a plate,

said plate being provided with information for identifying said plate,

said system comprising:

a storage means for storing a win flag to be associated with said information for identifying said plate.

Claim 14 (Original) The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 13, said information for identifying said plate is read and a win flag corresponding to said plate is examined, to determine whether or not there is a winner.

Claim 15. (Previously Presented) The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 6, further comprising a third counting means for counting an amount of sushi prepared, an amount of sushi consumed and an amount of products disposed.

Claim 16. (Previously Presented) The conveyer-belt sushi control system according to claim 10, further comprising a third counting means for counting an amount of products disposed.

Claim 17 (cancelled)

Claim 18 (Previously Presented) A conveyer-belt sushi control system controlling sushi distributed by a conveyer belt, the conveyor belt effective to carry at least two plates, comprising:

a recorder for recording the kind of a product arranged on each plate; and
a changer for changing a time period from preparation to disposal of products according to the kind of said product.
